

[Jesus said to the disciples,]
“Come away by yourselves to a
deserted place and rest a while.”

MARK 6:31

Dancing in the Dark

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

In 1931, Arthur Schwartz and Howard Dietz collaborated to write the song “Dancing in the Dark.” It’s said that the lyrics are primarily about how we feel our way through life, not sure where life is leading us and wondering why we’re here. There are many who feel they are “dancing in the dark.”

The Scriptures this week promise that God will shepherd us through difficult times, particularly when we feel lost amid uncertain choices we must make. Consequently, we are tempted to look for signs about what to do—paying attention to billboards, hoping a tune on the radio will give an answer, opening the Bible at random and pointing to a verse, multiplying prayers in hope of a sudden revelation.

The reality is that God does speak to us, but usually in the silence, in the quiet moments of a busy day.

At times, it may be when we begin to second-guess ourselves and realize we are becoming the sort of person we do not want to become. God’s voice may be camouflaged in our emotions, helping us recognize how our fears may be calling us to trust in him, or in our anxieties that move us to face the futility of a relationship. He might be calling us through friends who offer advice contrary to what we think, yet persistently insisting we face what we do not wish to see. It is in the silence that we begin to move from dancing in the dark to marching in sync with a divine rhythm. ●

Reflect

Have you ever emerged from a dark time feeling more in touch with God and God’s will for you?

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

1003 WYOMING ST, BLUEFIELD, WV 24701

JULY 20 & 21, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 20- 6:00 PM

✠ **Mario A. Lijoi** by Natalie & MaryAnn Lijoi

Sunday, July 21- 9:00 AM

✠ **Ray Shumate** by Delores Shumate

Tuesday, July 23 - Noon

✠ **People of the Parish**

Wednesday, July 24- 9:00 AM

✠ NO MASS

Saturday, July 27- 6:00 PM

✠ **Bill Crowe** by Fred Butler and Deborah Garton

Sunday, July 28- 9:00 AM

✠ **Mary & Sam Genovesi** by Angie Genovesi



Office Hours: 304-327-5623
Monday- Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm
Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

Confession:
Before Weekend Masses
During Eucharistic Adoration
By Appointment

Food Pantry Hours:
Wednesday 10:00am -2:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 22: Seminarian Summer Talk by Joe Derico 6 pm

July 28: Church Picnic 12:30 pm

July 29: Silver Rose Prayer Service 6 pm

July 30: Joint Litnic at Modena's House 6:30 pm

August 2: First Friday Mass & Benediction 6 pm

August 3-4: Divine Word Missionaries Visit

August 8: Centennial Committee Meeting 6 pm

August 11: Piano Concert by Jack Holt 6pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

Friday's from 6:00-7:00 PM

August 9 ~ Princeton August 23 ~ Princeton

August 16 ~ Bluefield August 30 ~ Bluefield

CHURCH STAFF

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To our non-Catholic friends, we extend a warm invitation to for you to come forward and receive a Blessing when our Catholic brothers and sisters come forward to receive Holy Communion. Please come up to the Priest or Eucharistic Minister with your hands folded across your chest, so we will know that you wish to receive a Blessing. We are grateful for your presence.

PARISH PICNIC

BINGO | TRAIN RIDES | PRIZES

Sunday, July 28th at 12:30

Bluefield City Park
Shelter #1

Bring a Side Dish to Serve Many!
Church will provide
Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, and Drinks



MASTERS OF THE ROMANTIC ERA



Piano Performance by Jack Holt

Sunday

August 11, 2024

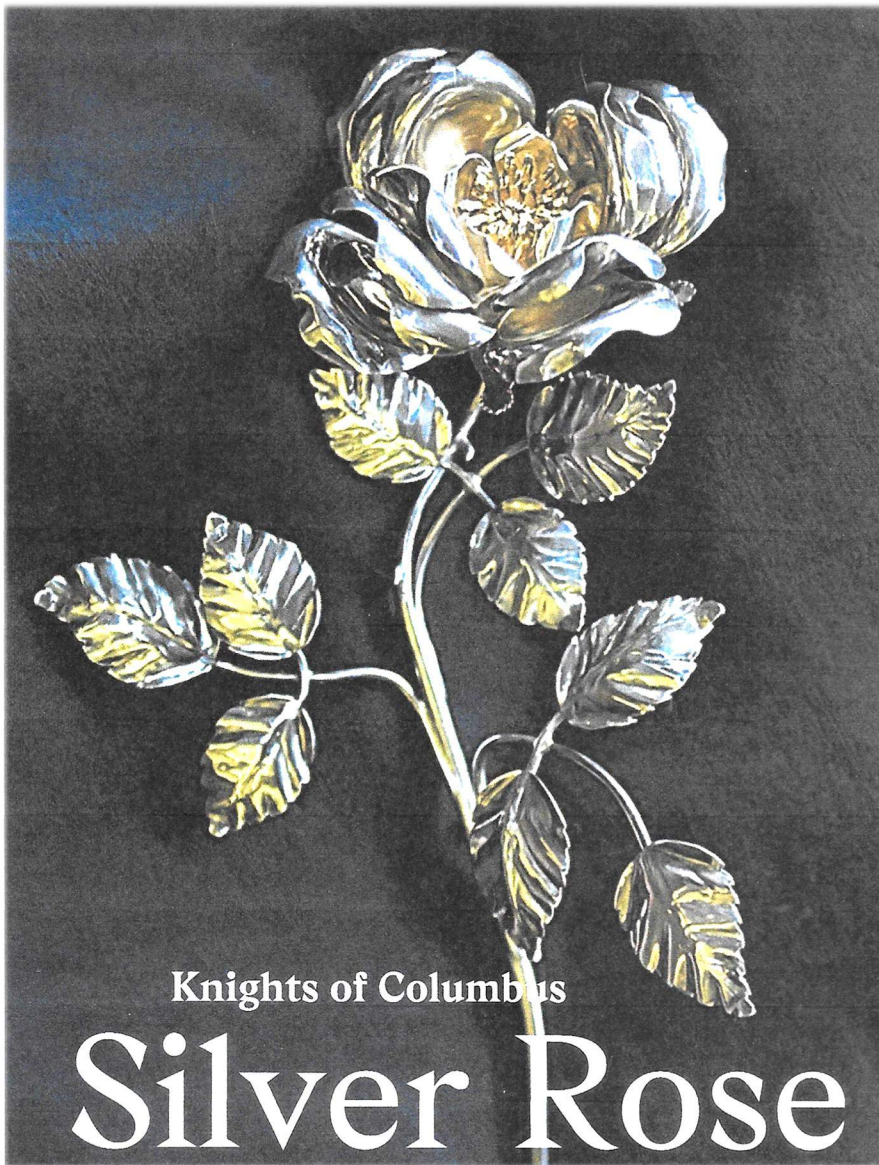
6:00 pm - 7:15 pm



Jack Holt is a fifteen-year-old Sacred Heart Catholic Church parishioner in Bluefield, West Virginia, and a skilled pianist and composer. The Butler Philharmonic Orchestra and the West Virginia State Symphony Orchestra have performed his original compositions. Please join us for an evening of classical piano at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. There will be light refreshments following the concert.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
1017 Wyoming Street
Bluefield, West Virginia 24701





Join Us!
Monday, July 29th
6:00 pm
Sacred Heart Church

*View the Silver Rose as
 it travels throughout
 the United States!*

*We invite you to come
 participate in this
 special once in a life
 time prayer service!*

“Through the Silver Rose Program we honor not only Our Lady of Guadalupe and express the unity of the Knights of Columbus, but we also reaffirm our dedication to the sanctity of human life. It is to the Blessed Mother that we turn in prayer as we work to end the Culture of Death that grips our society. As we think in terms of ‘One Life, One Rose,’ it is most appropriate that we turn to Our Lady of Guadalupe who made known her will through Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses.”

*-Past Supreme Knight
 Carl A. Anderson*

July Ministry Schedule

Mass Date & Time	Sacristan	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Hospitality	Collection Counters
Sat. 7/20 6:00 pm	J. McCloud	P. Buenafe	A. Peretti	D. Garton	1.J. McCloud 2.P. Peretti 3.D. Garton	J. Monaco	D. Shumate M. McCoy
			E. Peretti				
Sun. 7/21 9:00 am	T. Lampert	B. Musolin	R. West	TBA	1.C. Havens 2.A. Robinson	R. Malamisura	
			K. Oakes	R. Ciccolini	3. T. Lampert		
Sat. 7/27 6:00 pm	P. Buenafe	T. Lowery	A. Zinsmeister	F. Moran	1T. Hager 2.A. Peretti 3.L. Mariotti	The Pascasio's	
			P. Buenafe				
Sun. 7/28 9:00 am	M. Malamisura	M. Malamisura	R. Aiello	B. Buzzo	1.W. Aiello 2.G. Aiello	R. Malamisura	W. Aiello G. Aiello
			C. Tran	R. Albert	3.M. Malamisura		

Liturgy + Picnic = LitNic

Summer LitNics are back and being scheduled! We share the liturgy for spiritual growth followed by the picnic for fellowship and good food. Those attending please bring a potluck dish. LitNics begin at 6 PM on Wednesdays. If you would like to host a Litnic please contact Ann Robinson at 304-887-2421.

Current Dates

- Aug 7th – George & Wendi Aiello
- Aug 14th – Kenny & Theresa Bales
- Aug 21st – Stephen & Laura Ward



*Sacred Heart Church
Building Centennial*

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Church Directory

To go along with our Centennial Celebration this year we will be compiling a new church directory.

We will need a family picture submitted digitally, if you already have one. We will not have picture packages or sales team involved. If you don't have a current picture, arrangements will be made to have family pictures taken.

Anyone wanting to submit a digital picture may send them to:
shcc_bluefieldmedia@yahoo.com

History Book- Church Building Pictures

If you have any photos or memories you would like to share about our Church Building, please send them to:
shcc_bluefieldmedia@yahoo.com

If you are unsure how to turn your hard copy pictures digital, you can either email the above address or call the church office, leave a message and someone will call you back.



RCIA

*The next RCIA Meeting will be
Wednesday, July 24 at 5pm
in the church.*

Sacred Heart Prayer List

Parishioners: Hobe Bauer, George Bowling, Mary Bruch, Loretta Carrigan, Ron Ciccolini, Donella Crigger, Benny Disibbio, Angie Genovesi, Valerie Hager, Daniel Kirk, Claire Lampert, Tommie Jo Longworth, Feleesha Moran & Family, Claude Morgan, Sharon Rothausen, Carolina Ferrare

Homebound Parishioners: Linda Angelelli, Richard Canterbury, Alex Ercoline, Joanne Ercoline, Lou Ercoline, Mary Claire Keenan, Sue Mazol, Joan Monaco, Ernesto Pascasio, Barbara Pickett, Kathy Richards, Rosalie Rochetti, Mitzi Romeo, Miriam Salaita, Anna H. Switch, Joan Zingale

Friends & Family: Donald Bowles, Shelby Bowles, Teddy Bradshaw, Patrick Clark, Chuck Comer, Carolyn Crigger, Christina Easton, Fr. Chapin Engler, Jason Fortney, Steve Hamm, Larry Hicks, Yael Issacs, Sandy Kegley, Sherry Khatib, Stan Lawson, Bob Mahood, Connor McKenzie, Laura Lee Null, Dr. Amanda Hale Reese, Leanna Smith, Larry Sarever, Cathleen Underwood, Debby VanBlaricom, Steve Vaught

If there is anyone you would like to add to our prayer list, please call the parish office at 304-327-5623 or you may email Lucy at lbrinegar@sacredheartblfd.org



We have raised \$30,666

We have surpassed our goal of \$24,620!

Thanks everyone for your generous donations!

Please continue to donate if you can!

Weekly Collections	weekend Jul 13-14	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	14,520.00	150,935.10	124,600.00
Maintenance	525.00	2,344.00	2,800.00
Loose Offertory	283.00	12,556.00	13,200.00
Total Contributions	\$15,328.00	\$165,835.10	\$ 140,600.00
Food Pantry	974.00	15,772.00	0.00
Attendance:	6pm: 44	9am: 107	

Summer Talk Series by Seminarian Joe Derico

Monday, July 22 - 6:00 pm ~ Bluefield

Tuesday, July 23 - 6:30 pm ~ Princeton

The Virtue of Hope:

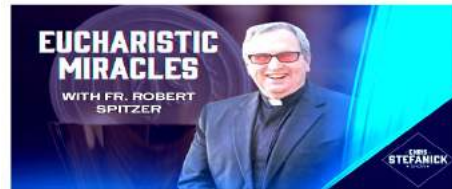
“In You O Lord is Our Hope, and
We Shall Not Hope in Vain”

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ON DEMAND.

The INCREDIBLE Eucharistic Miracles w/Fr. Robert Spitzer | Chris Stefanick Show

Did you know there are miracles that back up the true presence of the Eucharist? It's true! And I brought Fr. Robert Spitzer back to tell us about the incredible science behind them.



IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY AND A PRIEST IS NEEDED, PLEASE CALL:

Parish Office (304) 327-5623

Princeton Office (304) 425-3664

In case of serious or life-threatening sickness or the actively dying: {Please consider, with Fr. Sebastian out of town, it will take longer to contact a priest. Please call the church office as soon as you can} The church should be contacted as soon as possible. People deserve the opportunity to confess their sins, profess their faith, be anointed, and receive Holy Communion – the foretaste and pledge of eternal life. PLEASE don't wait until after the person is unconscious or so sedated that he or she cannot communicate. It is imperative with current situations, that there be enough time for Fr. to go through the appropriate protocol to visit the actively dying.

In case of illness: Please call the parish office to let us know if you, a family member, or a parishioner is sick. We can place your name on the prayer list. If requested, Fr Sebastian will arrange for distributing Holy Communion in the home.

Nursing homes & Hospitals: are not permitted to contact the church. If someone you know is in the hospital, please call the church office.

Dear Padre,

What does it mean to call the pope infallible?

Jesus established the Church, gave Peter a special place in it, and promised that the powers of evil would never overcome the Church (see Matthew 16:13–19). This promise indicates that Jesus would not allow the Church to be misled in essential matters of faith or morals. In these matters, Jesus grants the gift of infallibility...not only to the pope, but to the bishops and the faithful in union with the pope.

The pope speaks infallibly when he teaches *ex cathedra* (“from the chair”) as the leader of the whole Church, expressly defining doctrine as a matter of faith or morals (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 891). The pope has done this only once in the past one hundred years, when he declared the dogma of the Assumption of Mary.

The Church's understanding of infallibility reflects our Catholic belief that God will not allow evil to lead the Church astray. It helps us to distinguish what is essential from what is not. A clear understanding of infallibility and its limits may be seen as a safeguard against the misuse of authority. Understood in this manner, infallibility is another gift the Lord gave to the Church. ●



The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday

July 22
St. Mary
Magdalene
Sg 3:1–4b or
2 Cor 5:14–17
Jn 20:1–2,
11–18

Tuesday

July 23
Weekday
Mi 7:14–15,
18–20
Mt 12:46–50

Wednesday

July 24
Weekday
Jer 1:1, 4–10
Mt 13:1–9

Thursday

July 25
St. James,
Apostle
2 Cor 4:7–15
Mt 20:20–28

Friday

July 26
Sts. Joachim and
Anne, Parents
of the Blessed
Virgin Mary
Jer 3:14–17
Mt 13:18–23

Saturday

July 27
Weekday
Jer 7:1–11
Mt 13:24–30

Sunday

July 28
Seventeenth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time
2 Kgs 4:42–44
Eph 4:1–6
Jn 6:1–15



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

[Jesus'] tender invitation—rest a while—should accompany us. Let us beware...of efficiency, let us put a halt to the frantic running around dictated by our agendas. Let us learn how to take a break, to turn off the mobile phone, to contemplate nature, to regenerate ourselves in dialogue with God.

ANGELUS, ROME, JULY 18, 2021